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[redacted] the Chinese trade delegation of 25 men at present visiting the DDR with a view to concluding a trade agreement between the two countries, was pressing for the delivery to China of a complete radio combine (Kombinat), comprising 25 factories and valued at approximately 25 million rubles. In spite of the fact that no trade agreement had yet been reached, the delegation regarded the order for this combine as extremely urgent.

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[redacted] this combine would be capable of producing small radio sets, designed to receive Radio Moscow and Radio Peiping.

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The speaker added that he anticipated that the trade agreement with China would be signed by the middle of February, 1952, although the Chinese delegation had been given to understand that at present they could expect no further exports from the DDR as they, the Chinese, were 50 million rubles in arrears with their payments.

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Comment: The fact that a Chinese trade delegation was in the DDR in the first week in January, 1952 and was negotiating for the construction of an electric combine (Kombinat) is confirmed by another source who reported that on 4 January AEG Trestow (SAG Kabel) was visited by a party of Chinese engineers who discussed with the directors of AEG the erection of an electrical plant for producing radios. AEG estimated that it would take two years to build the type of combine envisaged and that the Chinese could first expect the combine to start production in the late summer of 1954.

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[redacted] groups of Chinese students were then visiting all the large electrical plants in the DDR for the purpose of observation and to exchange technical knowledge.

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